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FOR: USE OF CENTRAL CANNABINOID  
RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS FOR THE  
PREPARATION OF DRUGS

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 13, 2003 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office setting a three-month period for response which was set to expire on September 13, 2003. The three-month shortened statutory period for response is extended by three months to December 13, 2003 pursuant to the Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) which is submitted herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.